

## **Sprint Nextel Corporation** 2001 Emund Halley Drive Reston, Virginia 20191

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Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Federal Communications Commission 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

**Re:** Letter of Concurrence

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Section 90.621(b)(5) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), 47 C.F.R. §90.621(b)(5), Sprint Nextel Corporation, on behalf of its wholly-owned subsidiaries Nextel WIP License Corp. and Nextel License Holdings 4, Inc., (collectively "Sprint Nextel") hereby submits this letter of concurrence with the associated application for permanent authority to operate four 800 MHz frequencies at DeKalb, Illinois, filed by the City of DeKalb ("DeKalb").

DeKalb's application requests authorization to operate 800 MHz frequencies 851.2000, 851.5500, 851.8000 and 852.6000 MHz at DeKalb, Illinois (41-54-22.0N / 088-46-27.0W). Operations on these frequencies would impermissibly short-spaced to Sprint Nextel Specialized Mobile Radio ("SMR") 800 MHz stations operating co-channeled to or on frequencies 12.5 KHz separated from the requested frequencies within the DeKalb's area of operations. Additionally, Sprint Nextel is the Economic Area ("EA") licensee of EA 64, Blocks D, DD and EE, which include these frequencies in the DeKalb area.

Sprint Nextel is working cooperatively with DeKalb and will avoid interference resulting from the reduced separation between stations. Accordingly, Sprint Nextel supports the grant of the associated application. Both parties agreed to DeKalb commencing operations no earlier than February 6, 2009, in conjunction with a Commission grant of the above referenced STA application. Sprint Nextel has received a copy of the instant application.

If there are any questions regarding this matter or additional information is required, please contact the undersigned at (703) 433-4234.

Sincerely,

/s/ James Wheaton

James Wheaton Manager, Regulatory Affairs